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AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, DC 20231

May 14, 2001

Sir:

In reply to the Examiner's Office Action dated November 13, 2001, having been extended three (3) months, the following amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted in connection with the above-identified application.

In the Claims:

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--9. The method according to claim 8 wherein the anionic polymer is at least one selected from the group consisting of carrageenan, chondroitin sulfate, dextran sulfate, alginic acid, gerun gum, xanthan gum and salts thereof.--

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